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SUBJECT: CAMBODIANS--KEO NORIN FAMILY OF 3; YEM BORPHANN (2); RIEL
CARAVUTH (1); YOU MAKHAN (1)

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1. REFTELS A AND C PROVIDE BACKGROUND ON RESETTLEMENT OF KHMER
(CAMODIAN MUSLIM) REFUGEES IN MALAYSIA.

2. EMBASSY HAS LETTERS IN FILE FROM KEO NORIN AND YEM BORPHANN
AND CONSOFF HAS DISCUSSED THEIR CASES WITH THEM AT LENGTH, BUT
UNABLE LOCATE RECORD ON RIEL DARAVUTH OR YOU MAKHAN. THE FIRST TWO
HOWEVER WERE AMONG APPROXIMATELY 1,000 CAMBODIAN MUSLIM REFUGEES WHO
ORIGINALLY ENTERED MALAYSIA FROM THAILAND. ACCORDING TO OUR
INFORMATION THEY HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED FOR PERMANENT RESETTLEMENT
IN MALAYSIA UNDER AUSPICES OF MUSLIM WELFARE ORGANIZATION
(PERKIM) SUPPORTED BY UNHCR. AS THEY HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED BY GOM
FOR RESETTLEMENT, THEY NO RPT NO LONGER QUALIFY UNDER APPLICABLE
GUIDELINES FOR STATUS AS REFUGEES. CONSEQUENTLY, THEIR
APPLICATIONS HAVE NOT RECEIVED FURTHER CONSIDERATION AND
THEY HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT IN VIEW OF THEIR ACCEPTANCE
IN MALAYSIA THEIR CHANCES OF GOING TO U.S. UNDER REFUGEE
PROGRAM ARE NIL.

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3. CONSOFF DISCUSSED SITUATION OF CAMBODIAN MUSLIMS WITH

INS OFFICER RICHARD DICK DURING HIS VISIT TO MALAYSIA AND
HE SUPPORTED EMBASSY'S POSITION ON CAMBODIANS. THEY WERE
NOT INTERVIEWED BY INS OFFICER DICK.
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